

REMARKS

Claims 2-6 and 8-13 remain in the application for consideration of the Examiner with Claims 1 and 7 standing cancelled.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and following remarks.

The title was objected to.

By the instant amendment, the original title has been cancelled and a new title has been provided.

It is respectfully submitted that the title of the invention is descriptive of the invention to which the claims are directed.

Claims 2-4 and 8 were objected to because of informalities.

By the instant amendment, the claims have been amended to take into consideration the helpful comments of the Examiner as set forth in the Office Action.

It is respectfully submitted that the Claims 2-6 and 8-13 are free from informalities.

Turning now to the art rejections, Claims 1, 5-7, and 9-13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Sakurai.

Claims 1 and 7 have been cancelled and the remaining claims have been amended to depend from an allowed claim.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that this rejection has been overcome.

Applicants appreciate the indication that if Claims 2-4 and 8 were rewritten in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and the intervening claims, these claims would be allowable.

By the instant amendment, Claims 2, 4, and 8 have been placed in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

While it is believed that the instant response places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Texas Instruments Incorporated, Account No. 20-0668.

Respectfully submitted,



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